

ALL DAY TASK FOR MRS. GOULD

QUESTIONED ABOUT COL. CODY AND BIG BILL HAWLEY.

She and Dr. Lancy Nicolli, Her Husband's Counsel, on the Verge of Leaving Their Tempers—Tells of Auto Trip With Farnum and His Sister With Her.

Mrs. Katherine Clemmons Gould occupied the witness stand all day yesterday at the trial of her suit for separation from Howard Gould before Supreme Court Justice Dowling. Dr. Lancy Nicolli, counsel for Gould, put the witness through a stiff cross-examination the entire time, but at times became so exasperated by Mrs. Gould's answers that he displayed some little temper.

This led Clarence J. Shearn, Mrs. Gould's attorney, to request Mr. Nicolli just before the case adjourned for the day to "please try to be polite." Mr. Nicolli declared that he was sick of trying to be polite, because he had been so all day, but that Mrs. Gould wouldn't answer a straight question.

"Yes, the witness has given Mr. Nicolli considerable unnecessary trouble," said Justice Dowling.

"When it ought to be the duty of the Court to admonish the witness and not the attorney for the defence," replied Mr. Shearn.

The cross-examination at various times brought in William F. Cody, Dustin Farnum, Big Bill Hawley, whose proper name is Woodward, and other persons and incidents that have become more or less familiar since the Gould domestic troubles started in the summer of 1908. Mrs. Gould's memory was poor on points deemed of importance by the defence, although it improved occasionally on being refreshed.

Mr. Nicolli questioned Mrs. Gould as soon as she took the stand yesterday about Blue Gap Farm, near Lynchburg, Va., which she purchased just before her husband left her. She said that she thought \$88,000 was paid for the farm and that it is owned by a corporation in which she put most of the money. She couldn't remember how many Iron Mountain Railroad bonds she owned or how many she sold to get money to put into the farm.

Mr. Nicolli tried to show that Blue Gap was equipped to some extent from Castle Gould, but the witness said she took only a few odds and ends, including a few horse blankets "that were not good enough for the servants." She didn't know about taking a table and some pictures, but said she took some beds and some linen that she bought in Paris.

"Did you bring any cattle from Castle Gould?" "Yes, I brought some cattle that Mr. Ladenburg bought for me." "But were they cattle at Castle Gould?" "Yes, but they were my cattle," replied Mrs. Gould with the first display of temper shown during the day.

"What is your age?" asked Mr. Nicolli, taking a sudden tack in a different direction.

"I object," shouted Mr. Shearn.

"Objection sustained," said Justice Dowling.

The Court also sustained an objection as to the witness's birthplace but overruled one as to her maiden name. She finally said she was known by the name her father gave her, Viola Katherine Clemmons.

"Were you not known under the name of Viola Day?" "Yes, that was the name of my stepfather. After his death I took my father's name."

Mrs. Gould said that she didn't know Mr. Woodward (Big Bill Hawley), but that she was introduced to him once by Miss Helen Maher on a ship going to England and never met him again.

"Did you ever travel with a Wild West show?" "I travelled once with Miss Ada Cody." "With Miss Cody?" "Miss Cody," said Mrs. Gould sharply, fanning herself vigorously.

Mr. Shearn objected when Mr. Nicolli asked if Mrs. Gould remained with the show after Miss Cody left, but the question was sustained.

"What do you mean by 'travelling with a Wild West show?'" asked Mrs. Gould. "I mean going from place to place with the show," said Mr. Nicolli.

"I did not travel with the Wild West show," said Mrs. Gould, emphasizing the proposition.

"Are we not splitting hairs, Mrs. Gould? What I mean is, did you travel with Mr. Cody, the proprietor?" "Mrs. Gould admitted that she consulted Mr. Cody 'quite a lot,' but said that she was never manager and that she had to consult him.

Mr. Shearn protested when counsel asked if Mrs. Gould followed the show and Mr. Cody, and said:

"The point is, that the attorney for the husband who has lived with this plaintiff for eight years is now trying to degrade this witness by nasty slanders."

"Well, her answer will vindicate her if the answers in the negative," said the Court.

"Why, your Honor, you should protect this witness from the slurs and sneers cast upon her. She has not the means to bring together the witnesses to refute all these nasty insinuations."

Justice Dowling directed that Mrs. Gould answer the question, and she replied as before, that Mr. Cody was her manager and she had to consult him frequently. She said she accompanied the show to Naples and Rome, but didn't remember whether she went with it to Vienna, Paris and Leipzig and a number of other European cities.

Mr. Nicolli asked if Mrs. Gould went back on the stage under Mr. Buffalo Bill's management, and she said she only appeared for one night before she was under his management.

"Wasn't your first regular production called 'The White Lily?'" "I don't recall it. It was a good many years ago, over twenty, I believe you said."

Counsel asked many questions concerning Maurice Malloy, the manager at Castle Gould, but Mrs. Gould said yesterday insisted her by glowing diatribe.

DEATH IN FRENCH QUAKE.

Many Cities and Villages in the South Shaken—Great Damage in Toulon.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. Marseilles, June 11.—An earthquake of considerable violence was felt in southern France at 8:15 this evening.

Buildings collapsed in places and the walls of some were cracked and numerous minor damages occurred. The public clocks were stopped and windows broken. The electric lights at Aix were put out, and the sudden darkness greatly increased the alarm. There was much excitement here and at Montpellier, Avignon and elsewhere.

People rushed from the houses and cafés, and there was almost a panic. There was a less violent shock half an hour later.

Reports from various places in southern France show that the earthquake had more serious effects than were described in the first despatches from Marseilles. A house in the village of Lambec collapsed, killing eight persons. Several houses were destroyed.

The village of Equilles sustained considerable damage. Considerable damage was done in Toulon, notably in Vauban avenue. The street pavement was heaved up in places.

M. Borely, the well known astronomer, while working in the observatory at Marseilles was thrown down.

The shock was sharply felt at Cante and Bessiers, but no damage is reported from those places.

WANT SLICE OF CHINESE LOAN.

U. S. Government Sees a Way to Force Abolition of the Lixin Tax System.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—It was learned at the State Department to-day that some days ago this Government made representations to China, Germany, England and France concerning the loan about to be floated by the Chinese Government of \$27,500,000. The State Department contended with these Governments that American capitalists are entitled to a portion of the loan.

Responses have not been received from all of the Governments, but officials of the Department are certain that American loans can procure a part of the loan if they want it. Had action not been taken it is highly probable that the entire loan would have gone to France, Germany and England.

The State Department is anxious that Americans should participate, since if American capital is invested in this manner the Government will have just cause for insisting upon certain reforms in China. The loan is to be secured by Lixin tax, which consists of a system of local taxation such as does not exist anywhere else in the world. It is considered an antique and bad system, but the Chinese have promised the United States to reform it as well as a number of other things.

If American capital is interested in the loan this Government will have something to say about the Lixin tax and be in a position to demand of China that it be abolished, if such a course is considered advisable. There will be no chance, however, of a change in the form of taxation until the new currency reform scheme has been put through.

VENEZUELA REPUDIATES PAUL.

His Invitation of Foreign Warships Inconsistent With Republic's Dignity.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. CARACAS, June 11.—At yesterday's session of Congress the bill of foreign affairs was presented. In it Congress was asked to disapprove the yellow book issued by former Minister of the Exterior José de Jesús Paul. This shows, it is said, that he had suggested that foreign vessels come to La Guayra in view of political complications that he feared. The suggestion is held to be inconsistent with the majesty of the nation.

Deputy Chapellin moved adoption and the resolution was adopted after a heated debate. Deputy Chapellin then moved the adoption of a resolution that Señor Paul cease to represent Venezuela abroad, which was the first step toward foreign intervention. Consequently he should be dismissed from his present post. The resolution was adopted.

GOOD HOPE FOR STRANDED SHIP.

Wreckers Confident of Floating the Antonio Lopez.

The Spanish steamship Antonio Lopez, which grounded on Tuesday night east of Fire Island off Point of Woods life saving station, may get out of the grip of the sand this morning and come into port. Three Merritt-Chapman steamers after she had been relieved of much of her cargo hauled her fifty feet from her original position into the water.

The steamer Chapman and the barge Sharp left the Lopez last evening with a lot of the cargo and all the personal baggage of the passengers. The wreckers were confident last evening that they would get the steamship off. Rumors of a mutiny aboard were called ridiculous.

SON OF SIAMESE TWIN DEAD.

Chang's Youngest Boy Struck by Lightning in His Tobacco Barn.

WINSTON SALM, N. C., June 11.—Jesse Bunker, a deaf mute, youngest son of Chang, one of the Siamese twins, was killed by lightning to-day in his tobacco barn in Surry county.

Bunker was 45 years old, prosperous, intelligent and entertaining. The famous twins married Virginia women and the sons have all been prosperous men, though most of them were born deaf.

DEER AT LARGE IN YENKERS.

YENKERS, June 11.—The police are wondering where a deer has gone which this morning made its appearance on the lawn of the Hotel Hamilton.

The deer was seen at 11 o'clock, and it was last seen going north on Palisade avenue. It is thought that it may have escaped from the Bronx Zoo.

ANTI-SLACKING BILL SIGNED.

PORT WORTH, Tex., June 11.—The anti-slacking law passed by the last Legislature went into effect to-night and arrangements are being made to discontinue trading here, at Houston and at other cities in Texas.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., June 11.—The Governor to-day signed the bill prohibiting racketeering gambling.

AJAX WHITMAN'S BIG STUNT

THRILLING ACT UP ON A TOWER OF THE QUEENSBORO BRIDGE.

Caught Painting Man as He Fell From His Bo's Chair Up Along the Flapole and Saved Him a Tumble of 335 Feet Into the East River.

Bicycle Policeman Ajax Whitman, the strong man of the department, did a stunt yesterday afternoon on the new Queensboro Bridge that those who saw will never forget, and the feat is vouched for by a large crowd who witnessed the bike cop's job.

Thomas Jones of 103 Fourth avenue and Charles Schooner, who are employees of a novelty and flag company which has the contract for decorating the bridge for the celebration of its opening, went over to the bridge yesterday to string lines of flags from the various towers. Both men are sleepwalkers.

They began at what is known as the centre tower, which looms over the east channel of the East River, with the top of the tower 335 feet above the water.

Jones went up the north tower of the bridge and Schooner the south. The men used their little sleepwalker seats and pulled themselves up. They had rigged their ropes and pulleys and were preparing to pass a line from one to the other to string flags across their respective towers when Schooner saw Jones suddenly go limp in his seat at the top of the tower flapole, fall forward against it and hang there.

"What's wrong?" called Schooner. "I'm gradually going," was all Jones could call back.

Schooner laid down his flapole as fast as he could, all the time calling for help. Down on the roadway below the towers Whitman was walking along with his wheel. He looked up when he heard Schooner yelling and then he spotted Jones, who sagged forward in his seat like a lifeless man. Whitman dropped the bicycle and ran to the little spiral stairway that leads from the roadway to the top of the tower. Meantime a large crowd had been attracted by the flapole's peril. All vehicles at work on the bridge were stopped and people were running in all directions trying to devise some means of being of use. Whitman suddenly came out at the top of the tower.

Just as Whitman appeared in sight the seat in which Jones was sitting became loosened and as the seat started to go downward the decorator lost his balance and shot out of the seat head downward. Whitman braced himself against the foot of the flapole and held out his arms. Jones's limp body shot down and the big policeman acted as net. The body fell just across Ajax's big arms and then both men went over in a heap as Jones's weight carried the policeman from his stand against the foot of the pole.

Jones was unconscious and when the two men fell to the narrow flooring at the top of the tower he slipped from Whitman's grasp and rolled toward the edge, over the river, Whitman made a desperate grab, got hold of Jones's coat and held fast. Others below then regained their wits and ran up with Schooner and pulled the unconscious man back on the tower platform.

A liberal dose of whiskey poured down Jones's throat brought him round and he then explained what was the matter. He had made a slipknot of the rope that held the seat and had fastened it on his arm. The rope tightened on the knot and also became twisted in some way. He had tried to loosen it, but was unable to do so, and as it tightened it shut off the circulation of blood in his arm.

"I could have called to Schooner at first," said Jones, "but I lost my head and got rattled. Then I became dizzy and felt myself going out over the river. Then I lost consciousness and I guess I fainted."

As for Whitman, if it hadn't been that everybody stopped work to watch the accident and so blocked the bridge no report would have been made, but Whitman had to account for the block of vehicles on the roadway and he did so by stating that "an accident to a decorator caused a ten minutes block of traffic on the Queensboro Bridge."

SHOT THROUGH A WIND SHIELD.

Passenger in Automobile Cut When Machine Hits Trolley Car.

An automobile going rapidly up Tenth avenue last yesterday afternoon bumped into a street car at Thirty-sixth street. A man in the automobile was sent through the glass wind shield in front of the driver. The automobile, though its bonnet was smashed, was not put out of commission, and the driver started away. Before he got far Policemen Lynch jumped on the running board and arrested him.

The man in the tonneau was Martin Waters, a laborer living at 109 East Seventy-fourth street, whom the chauffeur had picked up to take out riding. He was badly cut and bruised and was taken to the New York Hospital.

The chauffeur said he was Edward Titterton, 27 years old, of 933 Amsterdam avenue. When taken before Lieut. John Collins in the West Thirty-seventh street station Titterton was asked: "Was this a joy ride?" "What business of yours is that?" he replied.

"Who owns the car?" continued Lieut. Collins. "That's for you to find out," was the reply.

Police Headquarters found that the car belonged to the Parkway Garage Company, at 110th street and Central Park West, and notified the owners, Richard H. Fenker, the secretary of the company, got the car. He said Titterton had the car out without the knowledge of the company.

Titterton was taken to the night court and charged with reckless driving and intoxication. Magistrate Corrigan held him in \$500 bail pending the outcome of Waters's injuries.

WRIGHT BROTHERS BACK AT WORK.

DATON, Ohio, June 11.—The Wright brothers and Miss Katherine Wright arrived home to-day. The Wrights lost no time to work on the aeroplane that is to make the Fort Myer flight. It will be ready for shipment Monday.

\$10,000 AWITS A FOUNDLING.

Margaret Gough, Who Was Taken to Randall's Island as Maud Williams, Is Wanted.

If a baby girl now 9 years old and known as Maud Williams can be found a legacy of \$10,000 is waiting for her. On the night of May 2, 1899, a girl baby was found in the hallway of a house at 809 East Ninety-third street. She was taken to the East Eighty-eighth street precinct and then turned over to Bellevue Hospital. As no one called for the baby it was christened Maud Williams and sent to the Randall's Island Infant Asylum. What has since become of the child and where she went from there could not be learned last night, as the records were locked up.

Robert J. Culhane, a lawyer of 71 Wall street, who lives at 140 East Eighty-second street, is seeking the child, whose right name is Margaret Gough, whose right name is Margaret Gough.

He was gathered from what Mr. Culhane would tell last night that the child is a granddaughter of Bridget Gough, who died in this city about ten days ago and who left the \$10,000 legacy to the child. Martin Gough, a son of Bridget, married against the wishes of his friends. Dissension arose in both the Gough family and that of the bride and when a baby was born to the couple it is supposed that it was abandoned. Both mother and father are now dead.

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LOWER BROADWAY SITE SOLD.

One of the Few Unimproved Parcels Goes at Auction for \$1,000,000.

One of the most valuable of the remaining unimproved sites in lower Broadway was sold from the stand of Bryan L. Kennelly in the Vesey street auction room yesterday to foreclose a mortgage held by the New York Life Insurance Company.

The property comprises a frontage of eighty-two feet at Nos. 44 to 50 Broadway, and of eighty feet at Nos. 41 to 47 New street, and has a depth of 125 feet. It was bought in 1906 by the Broadway and New Street Realty company, of which Mitchell I. Deuel is president, with a view to its improvement with a tall office building. The project, however, got no further than the purchase of the site.

The mortgage satisfied yesterday amounted with interest to \$1,070,000 and bank taxes had accumulated to the extent of \$41,000. The property was knocked down to De Seiding Bros. at \$1,881,274. Announcement was made by the successful bidder that they represented a client who would eventually put up a new structure.

One of the buildings now on the site is the Tower Building at 34 Broadway, the first example of skeleton construction in this city. It is seven stories high and was erected in 1899.

CALHOUN CASE NEARS END.

San Francisco Railroad Man Offers No Defense Except Prosecution's Evidence.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—The prosecution this afternoon closed its case against Patrick Calhoun, charged with bribing Supervisor Furey to get a permit to install an overhead trolley system on the lines of the United Railroads.

When District Attorney Heney made the closing argument "State's rest," there was a brief consultation among Calhoun's attorneys, and then Earl Rogers on behalf of the accused said the defence was satisfied to let the case go to the jury on the evidence presented by the prosecution and would offer no testimony. At the same time he proposed that the case be submitted without argument.

Heney denounced this proposal as a bluff and refused to accept the offer. Judge Lawlor then set Monday next for the opening argument. Assistant District Attorney O'Mara will probably open for the People and Heney's speech will be reserved for the final appeal to the jury. The trial of Calhoun began on January 12, but it was not until April 14 that a jury was secured. Forty-one days have been occupied in presenting the case for the State.

CUBAN REBELS SPARED.

President Gomez Commutes Sentences of Condemned Barbers for Legal Reasons.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, June 11.—President Gomez has commuted to twenty years imprisonment the death sentence passed on the Corteses, father and son, both formerly Sergeants in the Rural Guard, who were convicted by a court-martial for uprising against the Government in March. Five civilians who joined in the movement were acquitted by a civil court.

The commutation decree dwells on the fact that three of the nine Magistrates of the Supreme Court to which the case was appealed dissented from the majority finding, emphasizing "State's rest," there was a brief consultation among Calhoun's attorneys, and then Earl Rogers on behalf of the accused said the defence was satisfied to let the case go to the jury on the evidence presented by the prosecution and would offer no testimony. At the same time he proposed that the case be submitted without argument.

President Gomez assures the correspondent of THE SUN that he knows nothing about Cuba's alleged indebtedness to Spain. Cuba has received no notification of any claims such as are alleged to have existed before the American intervention.

WOMAN HOLDS UP THIEF.

Marched Him Out Covered With Her Revolver and Let Him Get Away.

YONKERS, June 11.—Mrs. Ray Hamilton of 468 Van Cortlandt park avenue, wife of the owner of the Palace Theatre, held up a thief in her home to-day and fired two revolver shots after him when he made a break and ran away.

"The thief had made his way into the kitchen," she says. "I went to the dresser in my room on the second floor and got out my revolver. Standing in a shaded corner of the upper hallway, I listened to the movements of the thief below and when he appeared at the foot of the stairs I shouted: 'Put your hands up or I'll shoot you!' He held up his hands and retreated to the rear yard, where he took to his heels. As he ran I fired two shots to attract attention. I didn't want to kill him."

MECHANIC EXCEEDS SPEED DEMAND.

BOSTON, Mass., June 11.—The battle-ship Michigan had a very successful four hour endurance run off the coast yesterday, exceeding the required speed of 18½ knots an hour for the run. Her best speed was 19½ knots and she averaged 18.95 for the full time.

FOR LOSS OF APPETITE.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate in half a glass after meals restores strength and vitality.—Ad.

PUZZLE IN RUIZ SUICIDE

POSSIBLY NOT THE WOMAN IN THE VANDERBILT DIVORCE.

Woman Resembling the Latter Has Ridden in the London Horse Show This Week—Stories of Fatal Rivalry—Suicide Had No Victim—Doctor Late.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, June 11.—There is still considerable mystery concerning the suicide of Mrs. Ruiz, who was supposed to have been the cause of the A. G. Vanderbilt divorce last year. The affair has been the talk of all London.

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ANOTHER ROEBUCK WILL.

Third One Offered for Probate Makes No Mention of English Legatee.

A third will of the late Samuel Roebuck, the aged and eccentric wire screen manufacturer of Brooklyn, who died early in the year, was yesterday offered for probate in the Surrogate's office. It is dated March 12, 1908, and bequeaths practically the entire estate to the testator's wife and children in Brooklyn, no mention being made of the children of Elizabeth Bird of Northampton, England, for whom a handsome provision was made in one of the other wills.

The first will was dated February 20, 1906, and the second July 17, 1906. As there are important variations in the wills a lively contest over the estate, valued at over \$150,000, is anticipated.

N. Y. LAW SCHOOL REVOLT.

Students Talk of Striking Against a Change in the Teaching Force.

A large and extremely enthusiastic delegation from the junior evening class in the New York Law School swept down upon THE SUN office last night to tell what was taking place in Dean George Chase's office in the original intention of having George C. Smith, now an instructor in the school, succeed Prof. Alfred S. Reeves as lecturer on real property.

After the final session of the year Dean Chase told the students of Mr. Smith's selection and pulled down a hornet's nest about his ears. Youthful orators from the student body informed the dean that they would not return to the school next fall if Mr. Smith was chosen for the chair. Dean Chase said the decision had been made and couldn't be reversed.

Which, so far as could be guessed from the turbulent conversation of the delegation, is about where matters stand now. The president of the class, J. J. McGovern, is expected to call a meeting of the class late in the summer to discuss more definite action.

HOLINESS HELPS A SALOON.

In Its Fight Against Having Its Excise License Revoked.

Two Salvation Army women and two missionary collectors were witnesses for the defence yesterday before Supreme Court Justice Hendrick in the trial of the suit of State Excise Commissioner Clement to revoke the license of the saloon and dance hall of Paul J. Bassett at 7 and 8 Chatham Square.

Although the Excise Commissioner alleges that the place was run as a disorderly house the women say they visited the place up to 1 A. M. and never saw anything wrong there with the exception of men and women drinking and dancing.

LOOK AT HUDSON BRIDGE SITES.

Governors Hughes and Fort Set Up the River.

Gov. Hughes of this State and Gov. Fort of New Jersey called up the Hudson yesterday about R. A. C. Smith's steam yacht, the Privateer, to look at four possible sites for a bridge across the river, connecting Manhattan and New Jersey. The estimated cost of the most desirable bridge is put at \$20,000,000.

The site favored by the two Governors seemed to be that between a Manhattan terminal at Columbus Circle and a point between Seventh and Tenth streets, West New York, in Hudson county, near the Bergen county line. Other points for New York terminals inspected were at 110th street, 125th street and 179th street.

The cheapest site was that terminating at 179th street, which, being out of the way of metropolitan traffic, was not seriously